

## CHICAGO REGIONAL MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, January 17, 2012  
Madden Mental Health Center  
1200 S. 1<sup>st</sup> Ave., Hines, IL

Pat Betzen opened the meeting of the Chicago Regional Human Rights Authority (HRA) at 5:15 p.m. The meeting was held at Madden Mental Health Center, Hines, IL.

Members Present: Kamil Jaruga and Beth Tucker.

Members Absent: Jill Quinto, Pat Mencinkas, David Ginter, Donna Claffy, Edie Bukwa, and LaVonne McClairen.

Staff Present: Pat Betzen

Guests: Mark Mulroe, representative from A Safe Haven.

Pat noted that a quorum was not present. Pat read the Confidentiality statement.

Minutes from the meeting held on December 6, 2011 were not approved due to the lack of a quorum.

### Communications:

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### New Complaints:

#12-030-9010 The complaint alleges that a recipient had asked to have a nurse removed from her care because the nurse did not like her. One day when the recipient was attempting to take her own blood pressure, she went behind the nurse's desk and unplugged the blood pressure cuff. The nurse followed her, came from behind the recipient and grabbed her arm and hit her. The recipient was then placed in restraints for 8 hours. The HRA members requested more information on this case before opening and the decision to open is postponed until the next meeting.

#12-030-9011 The complainant alleges that a recipient was administered forced psychotropic medication for no adequate reason, and was not evaluated by a physician upon admission. A motion was made to accept the complaint for investigation. It was properly seconded and passed.

Beth made a motion to go into closed session at 6:10 p.m. pursuant to Section 3955/21 of the Guardianship and Advocacy Act to discuss reports and responses and other matters which could not be discussed without revealing confidential information. The motion was properly seconded and carried.

The HRA returned to open session at 6:20 p.m. having taken no action in closed session. A summary of the closed session includes updates on open cases, discussion of reports as well as responses, and case closures.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Ratifications: None

Report of Findings:

#11-030-9016 Alden Village North. The HRA requested an addition to the suggestions to include a reminder to staff to make all clinical record entries legible. With that addition, a motion was made to accept the report. It was properly seconded and carried.

Case Closures:

#11-030-9012 Northwestern. The provider has requested additional time to complete their response. The case closure is postponed until the next meeting of the HRA.

#11-030-9014 A Safe Haven. The representative from A Safe Haven was present to address the report of findings. Although he stated that he has prepared a written response, he did not present it to the HRA and the case closure is postponed until the next meeting of the HRA.

#11-030-9015 Riveredge. A motion was made to close the case and make the response part of the public record. It was properly seconded and carried.

Case Status Reports:

#11-030-9010 Jesse Brown. A site visit has been scheduled for 2/23/12.

#11-030-9017 Chicago Read. A site visit has been scheduled for 2/09/12.

#11-030-9020 Illinois Masonic Hospital. A site visit was held on 1/12/12.

Announcements and Comments:

The next meeting of the HRA is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, February 28, 2012 at Madden Mental Health Center.

Adjournment: The HRA agreed to adjourn at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Edith Bukwa